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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director

SUBJECT: Meeting with CIA Subcommittee Staff  
Members on Indochina Programs

25X1A 1. The briefing you and [ ] gave Messrs Woodruff, Braswell, and Preston was very well received. Ed Braswell was inclined to be rather technical and legalistic in the conversations which followed, but Woodruff and Preston tried to help bring him around and at the conclusion of the meeting Braswell said he would accept our judgment on the propriety of these programs with respect to the intent of the Fulbright amendment.

2. Bill Woodruff said there should be absolutely no reservation about either of the programs in Laos and the other members agreed. They have no problem with the Khmer Krom program as long as these units are in Cambodian border and sanctuary areas; but Woodruff is very concerned about the funding aspects of the program. He sees it as another SWITCHBACK-type operation and made a very strong statement that one of Senator Russell's major concerns is that the unique authority of the Director not be used to circumvent an expressed intent of Congress.

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